# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

## **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 5086-01 Bill No.: HB 1568

Subject: Children and Minors; Hospitals

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: February 21, 2012

Bill Summary: Changes the laws regarding the Safe Place for Newborns Act by increasing

the number of days that a parent can relinquish physical custody of a

newborn without being prosecuted.

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

- ☐ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- □ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
<b>Local Government</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	

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#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

# **ASSUMPTION**

### §\$210.950 and 211.447

Officials from the Office of State Courts Administrator, Department of Health and Senior Services, Department of Social Services (DSS) - Division of Legal Services and Department of Public Safety - Missouri State Highway Patrol assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organizations.

Officials from the **DSS - Children's Division (CD)** state there is a possibility of an increased number of infants entering CD's custody under these provisions because it increases the age requirement from 5 days to 60 days. It also removes the affirmative defense provision, which was valid up to one year. This proposal also allows either parent a period of time to reestablish parental rights and provides protection in that it prohibits officials and agency personnel from coercing the parent to reveal identifying information. The CD does not anticipate a fiscal impact as a result of this legislation.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2013 (10 Mo.)	FY 2014	FY 2015
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2013 (10 Mo.)	FY 2014	FY 2015
	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>

#### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

# FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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# **SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

Office of State Courts Administrator
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Social Services Children's Division
Division of Legal Services
Department of Public Safety Missouri State Highway Patrol

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